IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Assignee: Dell Products L.P.

Title: Method and System for Automated Validation, Scripting, Dissemination and

Installation of Software

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a two (2) month extension of time within which to respond to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2006, such extension allowing the undersigned until March 3, 2007, to respond.

The extension fee is being paid via the USPTO EFS. The Commissioner is authorized to deduct any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 502264.

FILED ELECTRONICALLY February 6, 2007 Respectfully submitted,

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